

BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

AGENDA REVIEW	April 1, 2015
BOARD MEETING	April 14, 2015
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Department of Mental Health (DMH)
SUBJECT	Request approval to amend 18 existing DMH Legal Entity Service providers to fully implement an Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Full Service Partnership (FSP) Program under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), to address the needs of adults 18 years and over being served under Laura's Law.
PROGRAM	On November 18, 2014, your Board approved the full implementation of the AOT Demonstration Project known as "Laura's Law" in Los Angeles County to address the needs of adults 18 years and over being served under "Laura's Law". As instructed by your Board, DMH has identified eligible and interested agencies that are qualified to deliver the integrated mental health services as per Welfare and Institutions Code [WIC] § 5348, to individuals mandated to receive AOT under Laura's Law.
DEADLINES	None
COST & FUNDING	<p>The total cost of the LE amendments for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 is \$959,940 fully funded with \$576,000 of Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Medi-Cal and \$383,940 of State MHSA Revenue which is included in DMH's FY 2014-15 Final Adopted Budget.</p> <p>Funding for future years will be requested through DMH's annual budget request process. There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommended actions.</p>
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Board approval will allow DMH to amend its LE Agreements, to fully implement the mandated AOT Program, including court-mandated mental health services to address the needs of adults 18 years and over being served under Laura's Law (WIC § 5346 et seq). The purpose and intent of Laura's Law is to identify certain high risk individuals with serious mental illness that have a demonstrated history of non-compliance with mental health treatment, assess whether there is substantial risk for deterioration and/or detention under WIC 5150 which could be mitigated by provision of appropriate services, and, if so, mandate the individual's participation in AOT-LA through a formal judicial process.

<p>SUMMARY/ISSUES</p> <p>(Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)</p>	<p>On February 10, 2015, DMH issued a Statement of Eligibility and Interest (SEI) #DMH021015B1 under its MHSA Master Agreement List, to identify LE agencies that were interested and eligible to provide FSP services to individuals mandated to receive AOT under Laura's Law. The SEI required agencies to submit a Questionnaire and supplemental documentation to substantiate the agencies' responses in order for DMH to determine agencies experience and eligibility.</p> <p>DMH received a total of 19 agencies that responded to the SEI by the due date of February 25, 2015. DMH staff reviewed and verified all responses and determined that 18 agencies met the minimum qualifications for AOT-LA FSP Program.</p> <p>The DMH Executive Management Team recommends funding to the 18 agencies for the AOT FSP Program.</p> <p>Board's authorization to award funding to the 18 LE Service providers will allow DMH to continue the full implementation of a mandated AOT Program, including court-mandated AOT services to address the needs of adults 18 years and over being served under Laura's Law.</p>
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